# POWHATAN COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES May 24, 2022 9:00 AM PDSS Conference Room

## Attendance:

Karin Carmack, Chair, District 5 Supervisor Representative Ned Smither, County Administrator Will Hagy, Deputy County Administrator Gay Bartlett Lindia Cox Lynne LaPierre Connie Thompson

## Management Team and Staff:

Meghan Carroll, Director Sharon Bartley, Administrative Services Manager Cathy James, Benefit Programs Supervisor Audra Morris, Children's Services Manager Renee Cotton, Family Services Specialist

## Call to order:

Karin Carmack, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### Invocation:

Gaye Bartlett provided the invocation.

## **Public Comment Period:**

There were no public comments at this meeting.

### Approval of Minutes:

Lindia Cox motioned to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2022 meeting. Gay Bartlett seconded the motion and the Board was all in agreement.

## Announcements/Additions to Agenda:

Meghan Carroll updated the Board on the status of recruitment for Family Services Specialist positions. Current recruitment is through the State recruitment system and the many of the applicants have not qualified for the positions. Meghan asked for the Board to think about different ways or processes to recruit for applicants.

Will Hagy offered some insight on the Boards new Advisory status and suggested that Meghan reach out to agencies that operate under the same status and attend a few of their board meetings.

Karin Carmack reminded the Board and staff of the DSS fundraiser, specifically for Clover, the agencies therapy dog, but also for other DSS programs at Three Crosses on June 8, 2022.

<u>Origoing:</u> In a continuing effort to educate current and new Board members, Renee Cotton, Family Services Worker, gave a presentation on in Home Services. Several questions were asked including what Intake and Child Protective Service visits looked like.

Before adjourning, Karin Carmack asked if Meghan could contact Community Services Board and ask if they could arrange for the Board to take a tour of their facility. Also, Ned Smitherasked Renee Cotton if she would like to be part of a video that the County is creating. She would provide information about why she loves working here for Powhatan Social Services and the video would be used to recruit potential staff

## Next Meeting:

The next regular PDSS Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 28, 9:30 am to be held in the PDSS conference room.

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# Adjournment:

Karin Carmack adjourned the meeting at 10:10 am.